



The sturdiest knocker on the Panama Canal project has been Senator Morgan, of Alabama. He wanted a canal, yes; but he wanted the Nicaragua Canal. He says, however, that he is willing to accept the Panama Canal if he can get no other, and he thinks it will be a paying investment.

Let us get rid of the idea that we are going to give away a great deal of money in connection with the canal," said Senator Morgan. "I believe that if we were to knock down the stock would be worth five for one within a few years after its completion, notwithstanding I fully appreciate the physical difficulties in the way of building a canal at the present time. Let us, therefore, put away all hysteria and despair on the financial feature of the canal project. The figures on the Suez Canal are reassuring on that point."

Of course, Arizona and Oklahoma had to get into a controversy over the signing of the bill which made the Indian country a State, the dispute being over the signature of the bill. "Theodore," signed with a gold pen or "Roosevelt" with an eagle's quill. The Arizona people say that they go back to the "mother" country—and "Theodore" is the only one who wouldn't that from you? They say that "King Ed." just signs things "Edward," and they go. Likewise, if the President had just signed the bill "Theodore," it would have been a law as when he tackled the Roosevelt on.

It is now Envoys Leishman, the President having signed the Consular bill raising the office of Minister to Turkey to that of Ambassador. This was a necessity. The Sultan of Turkey is surrounded by more ceremonial than all the crowned heads of Europe put together, and it was next thing to impossible for a mere Minister Plenipotentiary, even if he was also "Extraordinary" and "Minister of the Legation," to do the honors of Turkey. An Ambassador is just about the same thing as the President so far as precedence goes, and Ambassadors have the right of audience with the Sultan himself, whereas the Minister cannot see him except by special appointment, and must carry on negotiations through the Grand Vizier, and that official has even more power than the Secretary of State or Minister of Foreign Affairs, the corresponding office under other Governments. To place the United States on an equal footing at Constantinople with the other countries, Congress had the suggestion of Secretary Root, raised the rank of the mission there to an Embassy, although it disregarded the previous law not to make increase until the other country had first taken a similar action.

The Society of the War of 1812, being the descendants of those who participated in that war, held their annual convention in this city last week. They had a delightful session, which was largely social, by the way, with banquets and receptions and other things. They made a pilgrimage to Mount Vernon and planted an oak tree. The officers elected for the coming two years were as follows: President, John Cadwalader, Pennsylvania; Secretary-General, Henry Randall Webb, District of Columbia; Executive-Adviser-General, Aloysius Lee Knott, Maryland; Chaplain-General, Rev. J. L. Leland, Connecticut; Vice President, Frederick Brown Philbrook, Massachusetts; Frank Warner Thomas, New York; A. J. J. Reed, New Jersey; Assistant Secretary-General, John Mayhew, New York; Treasurer-General, George H. Richards, New Jersey; Registrar-General, Henry Harmon Noble, New York; Executive Committee, Reynold Webb Wilcox, Pennsylvania, and Henry K. Averill, New York.

According to compilations made public at the Bureau of Immigration, 227 immigrants arrived in this country during May.

During May, 1905, 127,635 arrived. The number departed reached 2,238, the largest number in any one month, and more than twice the number departed during May of last year.

It is now said that the Reid dinner to Mr. and Mrs. Longworth has caused a whole crop of King Edward's. The Reids had King Edward with them, and the guests invited to eat with a King are selected from the aristocracy. The dinner was a success, and the guests were all in good luck. The King failed to select for the dinner of eligible guests, and the guests whom he was expected (by them) to honor, and they are furious. It is said that some of these foolish women were to give entertainments in honor of the King, and the guests who failed to be of the King Edward party were "suddenly" ill, and their invitations were to be recalled. There are some people so cheap that they will do this sort of thing, and the guests who do not. All along the line there comes praise of "Our Alice." She is just a natural, sweet, interested and interesting girl, and she is just what the nobility, who seem to have a dislike for American women, are naturally coarse, showy and given to gaucheries. Our Alice will teach them their error, and she is just what the nobility of Europe needs. The King would have been a great success, and she is just what the nobility of Europe needs.

A movement was inaugurated here last week to erect a monument to the memory of the five unknown Rough Riders who are buried in Arlington Cemetery. Mrs. Allyn K. Capron, whose husband, Capt. Capron, was one of the head and front of the monument movement, which received quite an impetus through her vigorous efforts. During the first engagements of the war a number of Rough Riders, including her husband, fell, and Gen. Wood, Major Scott and a number of wealthy New York men of the company, at their own expense, erected a monument. It is the earnest desire of all concerned to duplicate this monument if possible.

All who desire to assist in this patriotic and laudable movement, communicate with Mrs. Capron. Mrs. Capron was assisted in her first successful efforts by Miss Carrie Porter, daughter of Admiral Porter, and Mrs. Katharine Drake. Mrs. Porter and Mrs. Drake are prominent women of both Army and Navy circles. The Marine Band played all afternoon for the lawn fete, and President Roosevelt sent a lot of flowers for the flower booth. The approval of the plans of Mrs. Capron.

Mal-Gen. John P. Story, retired, formerly Chief of Artillery, has gone to the Far East, by order of the Secretary of War, on a highly important mission. One purpose of his trip is to select sites in the Philippine Islands for the construction of defensive works, and another is to visit the artificial island erected by order of the Japanese Government in the Bay of Tokio for the defense of the important city of that island. This island is provided with the most powerful guns of modern construction, and its presence is said to

make Tokio almost invulnerable to attack from the sea. If these fortifications are all they are represented to be, it is planned to build a fortified artificial island near the Virginia capes for the better defense of the entrance to Chesapeake Bay and the protection of Washington, Baltimore and other cities reached by that important body of water.

Orders have been issued by the War Department assigning Brig.-Gen. John W. Bubb to the command of the Chickamauga Park, Ga., vice Gen. W. D. P. Duval, relieved; assigning Brig.-Gen. Constant Williams to the command of the camp to be held near Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming, vice Gen. Bubb, relieved; and assigning Brig.-Gen. Frederick Johnston to command the camp to be held at Anckerly Lake, Washington, vice Gen. Williams, relieved.

The complete records of rifle, pistol and carbine firing of the U. S. Army in 1905, which have just been published, show Abraham Hill, a Sergeant in the 24th Inf., stationed in the Department of Dakota, to be the best shot in the Army. The percentage of possible shots was 86.33. The three others next after him on the list were: Capt. Rufus E. Longan, 11th Inf., Department of Missouri; Sergt. Otto S. Hahn, Sergeant in 2d Cav., Department of Luzon, 81.67.

The equestrian statue of Gen. McTear is to be erected in the Government reservation in Columbia road at the intersection of Connecticut avenue in front of the Highlands. The Commission consists of Secretary Taft, Senator Charles McNary, Hon. Horatio C. King, of New York. It has been arranged to have the statue unveiled with appropriate ceremonies on the 18th of October next, during the 37th Annual Session of the Society of the Army of the Potomac.

The statue is the work of Frederick MacMonnies, the American sculptor, now in Paris. It was cast in bronze in the French foundry of the late Mr. King, and accepted on behalf of the United States Government by the United States Consul-General at Paris, who was authorized to represent the Statue Commission in the transaction. The statue will be shipped to this city in ample time for erection on the newly-constructed site on Washington Heights before the date set for its dedication in October next.

Dr. W. T. Harris, Commissioner of Education, who has served in that capacity for 17 years, has resigned from an office which he filled in the most acceptable manner because of his age. He is 71 years of age, but much younger and carries his years well. It is said that he felt the responsibility of his office, and felt that the hard work should be done by younger men. Just before retiring Dr. Harris gave a little interview which shows how the work in which he is engaged has advanced since he took it up. At that time he said that the country had 2,000,000 children in the schools of the country. There are now about 7,500,000 schools, and Dr. Harris says the colleges and universities have increased proportionately. There are now about 18,000,000 children in the schools of the country.

"The steps that have been taken in late years in the direction of higher education," said Dr. Harris, "show that the American people are alert to the great need of world knowledge. They are taxing themselves to build high schools, and they are eager that their children shall have the best of general education. A high-school student can drop one occupation for another within a few weeks, and have a nice amount of skill in many an occupation where skill is required."

"It is shown by the increase in educational institutions throughout the country," Dr. Harris said, "that the people are coming to realize what was said long from them on account of the hardship of the civil-war days."

"I look back with pride at the progress in public education during my life in office. Everywhere success is accredited to education, and without it no man has a place in the civilized world. There is now 20 per cent of America's population in school, and grown old in the office, and I resigned because I want to make room for younger talent. I intended to resign long ago, but I became a septuagenarian, but I let it slip."

Dr. Harris entered educational work at St. Louis, where he was a public school teacher many years ago, and later, Superintendent of the Public Schools. From St. Louis he went to Massachusetts, and he came here from Concord, Mass.

Dr. Elmer E. Brown, of the University of California, has been appointed to succeed Dr. Harris. Dr. Harris will engage in educational work in connection with the National Educational Association, which will hold its annual convention in New York City. Dr. Brown is a young man, and he is just what the nobility of Europe needs.

So English, y'know! Our new uniforms will be—that is, when Mr. Winter, English tailor, no, Mr. Winter, English tailor, gets a whack at it. Quartermaster-General, Humphrey has negotiated with this well-known English tailor to cut the eight sizes for our "sloppy" tailors to cut the uniforms. This Mr. Winter is the very swaggiest thing in tailors that England can boast of, and our own Army officers declare that the English uniform is much better and keeps in shape much longer than the American uniform does, although we put much the best goods in our uniforms. It is said that the cavalry uniform is a disgrace to the service, and that our officers declare that clothes made by the Army tailors are not fit for an officer and a gentleman. The British uniform is described as "snappy" and "what we must have to be up-to-date swaggiest."

Efforts of California Congressmen and a strong delegation of San Francisco business men to secure the use of \$12,000,000 of Government money to help rebuild the city have been successful. It is announced that President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft have practically agreed to grant their requests.

A conference with the President was held a few days ago by the delegation, headed by former Gov. George F. Loe, who stated, after the conference, that the money might be used in San Francisco and that the President would not be required for Governmental use for at least 10 years.

There was sure a funny sight in the House the other day when Representative Mann, of Illinois, was demonstrating the "necessity" for a pure-food law. Representative Mann took a sample of impure goods till the area in front of the Speaker looked like a grocery store out in the swaggy section of the city where the Diplomatic Corps buys potatoes and now red cherries, coppers-dyed peas and that sort of canned misery which looks mighty pretty, but eats like hell—well, you know, and for the purpose of the demonstration, he took a sample of pure goods, and he said that he would not be able to tell the difference between the two. He said that he would not be able to tell the difference between the two. He said that he would not be able to tell the difference between the two.

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As for coffee, a page of The National Tribune would scarcely suffice for the tricks of the trade in that direction. When you buy coffee, you are getting well-browned sugar and bread crumbs. The entire output of Mocha and Java imported to the United States was but 12,000,000 pounds, yet statistics show that the United States consumes 100,000,000 pounds. Cherries, he declared, are picked green, then bleached with acids and colored red with aniline. Botany, they are labeled "darshino" cherries, and are actually look like cherry. This industry is responsible for the story of the girl who came to a swell New York hotel from the West with 47 dollars and money to burn. She was given the room on the 15th floor, and she got it. Fifteen minutes later she rang for another. Ten minutes later she rang for another. Another Manhattan was ordered. This was continued at intervals of 10 minutes until 13 Manhattan and as many cherries had disappeared inside the Denver hotel. The clerk concluded that the thing had gone far enough, and made a visit to the young lady's room to tell her that the hotel was not an asylum for Manhattan. The young lady met him graciously, and he stammered out the words: "I am very sorry, but I have no more Manhattan." "Why?" she demanded. "I am sorry, but I have no more Manhattan." "I was sent here by friends, and I think this is not only unkind, but outrageous."

"Well, the fact is," declared the embarrassed clerk, "a woman who can surround 13 of our Manhattan cocktails and stand as straight as you do can't be a desirable guest." "Oh," said the lady, with a fetching smile, "I have not tasted the nasty stuff. See!" showing the amazed clerk the table in the alcove. "There they are, I only wanted the cherry." "What?" she demanded. "I am sorry, but I have no more Manhattan." "I was sent here by friends, and I think this is not only unkind, but outrageous."

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Senator La Follette has introduced a resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to make an investigation into the coal, oil and lignite deposits of the country, and that in the meantime all lands known to contain such deposits should be withdrawn from entry and sale. He said that later he would speak on the resolution.

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Owing to the unprecedented production of gold, the question is not, and will not be, discussed in detail as it was in the Chicago platform, but the underlying principle of bimetallism, the quantity theory, has been amply vindicated, and the gold standard is now the only one that is practical. Other features of the platform have been likewise vindicated.

"The Democratic Party in 1908 will be perfectly safe as a thoroughly sane, perfectly sane as a medium through which the Americans demanding equal privileges to all, protesting against special favors to any one within the law, without the law, though regulate their degree, confident that that degree will be faithfully executed. It will be sane, standing between the radicalism that administers government for the benefit of a few, and the conservatism of the competitive system and the radicalism that contemplates an impossible form at the expense of individualism."

It remained for a Southern Senator, McLaughlin, to object to the President making trips over the country. He said when discussing the bill for traveling expenses, to which he objected as class legislation, that the President should not be allowed to remain at home, and he did not approve of the Chief Executive gallivanting round over the country. Now, wouldn't that jar your sinuses, as the Senator said, the President is a recluse, with no opportunity during his four years or longer to get out and find what the people really think about him. While the President is in the White House, where the President would hold up for life. We had one President who was a recluse, and he was a failure. We had one President who was a recluse, and he was a failure. We had one President who was a recluse, and he was a failure.

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